

Quick Notes

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IP Inpatient Discharges

ED Emergency Department

AS Ambulatory Surgery

Last "Hardcopy" Mailing of "Quick Notes"

Another reason why it is important to keep your email current is that this will be the last **"hardcopy"** of *Quick Notes* that you will receive in the mail. In the interest of preserving our natural resources, we will be sending *Quick Notes* via email exclusively.

We Are Moving

OSHPD will be moving on October 26, 2007. Staff Support will be limited on October 25-30, 2007 due to relocation.

Our email address and web sites will remain the same. Our new address and telephone numbers are as follows:

Address: 400 R Street, Suite 270
Sacramento, CA 95811-6213

PDS Main Number	326-3935
MIRCal Hotline	326-3920

Candace L. Diamond, Manager	326-3930
Rob Fox, Assistant Manager	326-3943
Ben Russell	326-3929
Cathy Sarantis	326-3931
Cindy Jensen	326-3914
Diane Gerber	326-3934
Eric De La Cruz	326-3936
Irene Ogbonna	326-3937
Joyce Makimoto	326-3938
Kim Gustafson	326-3939
Krista Todd	326-3940
Lorraine Sady	326-3942
Robyn Strong	326-3944
Susan Olsen	326-3945
Teresa Dedmon	326-3946
Tonie Trotter	326-3948
Tony Massara	326-3949

Notices To Be Delivered via Email Only

In an effort to reduce duplication of data submission status notification and reduce waste, the following notices will no longer be sent via hard copy regular mail:

- Data Approval
- Data Rejection
- Extension

We will continue to send the notices via email.

The User Account Administrator (UAA) at your facility is responsible for keeping MIRCal updated with current contact information (including among other things, email address and correspondence priority). Keeping the user profiles up to date and complete is especially important for the Primary Contact and Administrator to ensure delivery of time-sensitive notifications.

Submission status and extension history for your facility can also be viewed by logging on to the MIRCal website.

Manuals – Get 'Em While They're Hot

Both the *Inpatient Data Reporting Manual* and the *Emergency Department and Ambulatory Surgery Data Reporting Manual* have been updated and posted to our website. Please go to our "Resources" page to download your new copy. The list of changes can be found in the *Table of Contents* section of each manual. The manuals are updated several times a year so please check frequently to ensure you have the most current edition.

We're Getting A New Look

As part of a statewide web redesign, OSHPD's website will be looking very different in the coming months. The goal is to make our site simpler to navigate and easier for our users to find the information they need. We hope that you like our new look!

Present on Admission Reporting Interim Changes

The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) is currently in the process of preparing regulation changes to accommodate the new Present on Admission (POA) criteria. OSHPD is adopting the POA reporting requirements and guidelines described in the UB-04 Data Specifications Manual and the *ICD-9-CM Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting*, with the exception that a reporting option of “1” will be used for “unreported/not used.”

In the meantime, due to the October 1, 2007 implementation of POA billing requirements to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and other reimbursement sources, starting with the July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 report period:

- OSHPD will accept the current Condition Present on Admission codes: Y, N, and U, as well as the new POA value codes: W and 1.

Exempted diagnosis codes will need to be reported with a POA indicator of 1. Blank POA on diagnosis codes will be flagged as invalid.

- OSHPD will not accept the POA indicators on E-codes as there is no field to collect. Submitting POA for E-codes may cause transmittal error.

Facilities that have been identified as exempt from reporting POA requirements for CMS will still need to report those indicators to OSHPD.

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